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God's Most Important Creation

By W. E. Pickthorn

Rebellion brewed in the Garden of God. Angelic hosts in whose hands was the government of the original Eden were talking among themselves. And, after the manner of men, they could be heard saying, "Have you heard? Lucifer has proclaimed himself king. He has taken over the government, and is enlisting those who will join him in the new order of things."

Posted prominently was an edict. It read:

A proclamation of Lucifer, the Son of the Morning, the anointed Cherub that Covereth:

I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High.

Eden buzzed with the news. Not a few of the angelic rulers openly avowed their allegiance to the new monarch. "Think of the prospects," they said one to another, "of ruling, not in this garden alone, but the vast expanse of the universe." "We will be like God." "We will ascend with Lucifer."

The buzzing in Eden was interrupted by the voice of the Monarch whom they thought they had dethroned. "Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, and that did shake the kingdoms?" thundered the Creator of the universe.

"Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thy iniquities," continued the Lord. As He spoke thunderings proceeded from His throne, and Eden tottered under the impact of His hand. The rebellious inhabitants were smitten. They became outcasts and joined themselves to their fallen king.

But now they had no kingdom over which to rule. A prophet, given a backward glance at that fateful day, said,

"I beheld the mountains, and lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly. I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place was a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down at the presence of the Lord, and by His fierce anger. For thus hath the Lord said, The whole land shall be desolate; yet will I not make a full end. For this shall the earth mourn, and the heavens above be black: because I have purposed it, and will not repent, neither will I turn back from it."

The earth was without form, and darkness covered the face of the deep. As far as this planet was concerned time was no more. Then the great glaciers

formed and the ice age descended until its fingers girdled the globe. In its ice grip the first Eden perished.

Countless centuries may have passed, but their passing had no effect upon Lucifer. Sitting in the blackness of desolation and ruin he plotted against God. The Anointed Cherub became Satan whose very name means "The hater, accuser."

Finally the time was ripe when God determined to bring forth a race which would take the place of Lucifer and prove to the fallen creation that God's government was just. So God made man. First He restored the architecture of Eden. Cosmic light was allowed to shine. The ice was driven back. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. Six days of creation prepared the earth for man's habitation.

Day after Day God looked upon His work and said that it was good. Satan also looked, watching for an opportunity to impress himself upon the new creation. And no sooner had the atmospheric heavens been prepared than he took up his abode there. If he couldn't rule the earth he would at least stand between the new creation and the heavens of God's abode. Nor did God hinder this move of Satan, for, although He could not say that this day's work was good, He intended to use the evil devices of Satan to His glory.

In the atmospheric heavens Satan could constantly watch the progress of man, and God could say to him as he said of Job, "Hast thou considered my servant . . . that there is none like him . . . a perfect and upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?"

Lucifer had failed in a test. God would prove to him that the new creation could stand no matter how severe the test. So, in the midst of the garden, God planted a tree. That tree was not only to be a witness to Satan; it was to be of service to man.

God made man in His own image and in His likeness. He wanted man to possess the very qualities which belonged to Himself. But there was one quality which creation alone could not provide. Image and likeness alone do not make one person like another. Character enters into it too. And character is formed not given. It is the product of experience, the meeting of difficulties and conquering them. The tree provided a test of will. Satan had said, "I will do what I will to do." Adam must learn to say, "I will to do what my Father wills for me to do." Every time he passed the tree and determined to obey God he was made

that much stronger. Every time he thought about yielding he was weakened. Thus character was being formed.

Character is still all important in the child of God. For God is still shaping men — men who will one time take the place of Lucifer, who will rule in His spiritual world. And even now He delights in those of whom He can say, "Hast thou considered my servant . . . there is none like him."

The tree of testing grows in every corner. It is found in our business relationships, in our society contacts, at school, at play and even in the quiet of home. Again and again you must face the decision — will I yield to God, or shall I take my own way? All unconsciously character is made. Every thought, every action, every word and every deed either strengthens or destroys. Thus what you are in eternity will depend on what you do with today.

A MEMORY SYSTEM

Forget each kindness that you do
As soon as you have done it;
Forget the praise that falls to you
The moment you have won it;
Forget the slander that you hear
Before you can repeat it;
Forget each slight, each spite, each sneer,
Whenever you may meet it.

Remember every kindness done
To you, whate'er its measure;
Remember praise by others won,
And pass it on with pleasure;
Remember every promise made
And keep it to the letter;
Remember those who lend you aid,
And be a grateful debtor.

—The Reaper

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The fire within is . . .

What Really Makes A Preacher

"Then said I, I will not make mention of Him, nor speak any more in His name, but His Word was in my heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones; and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay." (Jer. 20:9).

The prophet Jeremiah, probably one of the foremost fiery prophets of the Old Testament, had made a sinful resolution. It was twofold in its effect: his message was to lose its center—"No mention of Him," and his ministry was to cease, "Nor to speak any more in His name!" The prophet had been driven to silence by the very people he had ministered to as the mouthpiece of God. Israel had silenced their best friend. In such cases it is hard to say who is the greatest offender, the silenced one for unfaithfulness, or the silencer for ungratefulness. Silence is golden, but under some circumstances it is a crime. In the hour of calamity the trumpeter has a duty in which he must not fail. In the case before us, Israel's sand glass was running out; the enemy was almost at the gates, and the only voice that could have saved the people of God is silent. Israel has been guilty of putting out its navigation lights while still at sea; they have refused a pilot, with uncharted rocks ahead.

A nation's greatest asset is the continuance of faithful ministry on the part of those who claim to speak for God. Woe to the nation that silences divine inspiration; that dares to risk the cost of blotting God out of its national life, simply because the silenced prophet allows sin to go unashamed. Social corruption is the aftermath of a systematic persecution of God's servants, that puts out the light that God has lit, as in Russia, Germany, Spain, and Poland prior to the outbreak of the recent war. Europe probably would never have been degraded in war had not the prophets of God first been silenced, by exile, death, imprisonments and internments. "It is a sobering reflection," as one has well said, "that in the modern world since 1918, many more persons must have died for the testimony of Christ than in all the early persecutions of the early church together!" God grant that the tragic persecution of the preacher today may not silence forever the only authoritative voice that can allow God to speak above the roar of cannons.

The prophet, however, had a sobering reflection. He says, "But His word was in my heart as a burning fire." Persecution may affect divine fire, but it still burns, and can never be wholly smothered. No power in heaven or on earth can silence God. The faithful preacher's fire is drawn from a celestial altar, and

its center is God Himself. It is here we discover the difference between a prepared preacher, and a powerful preacher. One is the product of the schools, while the other is the privilege of the sanctified. In a modern world both preparations are essential to successful work, and woe to the preacher who may have one without the other. Human preparation and heavenly power are a pair of wings. Howbeit our text but deals with one of these preparations, the divine qualification.

Alas, so many in the ministry have nothing of divine fire; victims of the age in which we live, which makes a church so often choose its pastor by his diplomas rather than by his dynamic. Nothing can substitute for divine fire. Yet, we have to be careful that we understand what divine fire is. It is not emotionalism, frenzy, or even enthusiasm; it is a God-filled life that makes God's message burn. The prophet in his statement is clear, for he says, "His word was in my heart as a burning fire." No school on earth can produce divine fire, and for this reason the minister's prayer life is his greatest labor. It was the principal of Cliff College in England who said almost at the end of his life, "I have only one regret, that I have not prayed more."

Perhaps Spurgeon came as near to anyone in describing this power, when

he told his students once, "I am distinctly conscious of a power working upon me when I am speaking in the name of the Lord, infinitely transcending any personal power of fluency, and far surpassing any energy derived from excitement such as I have felt when delivering a secular lecture, or making a speech; so utterly distinct from such power that I am certain it is not of the same order or class, as the enthusiasm of the politician or the glow of the orator!"

Blessedly, Jeremiah had a burning within that could not be subdued. The fire threatened to burn the vessel that contained it, and the fire broke forth. All revivals whether in a life, or a church, or a district are but God's breaking forth upon human lives.

Dr. T. DeWitt Talmadge, when speaking at the General Methodist Conference at Brooklyn, reminded his hearers of what the fire of early Methodism did for the cause of God. He said "Although these men were so maltreated, they made the earth tremble. Constables turned pale, and sheriffs and turnkeys cried for mercy. One of them shouted, I came to break his head, but he has broken my heart! These people went on praying, and preaching and singing and performing wonderful works. They appeared to have supernatural support. Wesley died leaving one hundred and fifty thousand followers." As one has said, "What is needed today is not another Moody, but more of Moody's God."

—L. Harris.

Handles Made Out of Handicaps

J. Narver Gortner

Several months ago my eyes began to fail. It gave me little concern at the time as I was inclined to think it was a minor matter. I believed that a change of glasses was all that was needed, but when I went to my optometrist he informed me that a change of glasses would do me no good. I learned that cataracts were forming and were responsible for my clouded vision. For a long time I hoped against hope that the progress of the cataracts had been checked. I was able by means of a reading glass to read with considerable ease and comfort, but despite hope, in the face of earnest prayer that it might not be so, the cataracts persisted in developing and my ability to see clearly grew steadily less. One day when I could still read without a reading glass I reached up and pulled down an old book from one of my library shelves, and opening it almost at random, in accordance with a habit that I had formed, I read the following paragraph:

"Henry Fawcett, a young Englishman, hunting with his father, suffered an ac-

cident staggering enough to break the nerve of ordinary men: his father shot at a partridge, hit his son's eyes, and entirely blinded them. Writing about the matter afterward, young Fawcett said, "I made up my mind inside of ten minutes after the accident to stick to my main purpose as far as in me lay." He kept his word—worked his way through Cambridge University, was made Professor of Political Economy there, was elevated to be Postmaster-General of England, and gave to the British people a generation ago the Parcel Post that we in America have just achieved for ourselves. He took hold of his situation by its real handle; he met it as a challenge to his strength and not as an excuse for disheartenment."

I had known, of course, that not only Henry Fawcett, but many another man, had surmounted great obstacles, had mastered difficult situations, and in spite of great handicaps had achieved notable success in life. I had often thought of Homer who was blind, and of Milton

who was blind, and of the fact that these great epic poets rank among the greatest that have ever lived. Homer went from city to city, and from hamlet to hamlet, and recited his great epic poem from memory, and the people listened, and provided him with a meager support. There were no pensions for the blind in those days, and no institutions where they could be cared for. Milton dictated his great poem *Paradise Lost* to his daughter, and it is said that he spent about half an hour on every line. The finished product is evidence that it had not been hastily composed. When it was finished he tried to find a publisher who would undertake its publication, but all the publishers were loath to undertake the task. They feared that the style would not appeal to the reading public, and that there would not be sufficient demand for the book to justify the expense of publishing it. Finally a publisher was found, and it is said that three pounds sterling, about fifteen dollars, was all the financial remuneration Milton ever got. But he secured for himself undying fame, and as long as the English language shall be spoken Milton will be known and honored.

It has frequently been said that we should make handles out of our hindrances and handicaps. I do not know with whom the expression originated. I thought for a while that it had been invented by Stanley Jones. But I learned later that he had borrowed it from somebody else, and that man had borrowed it from an earlier writer.

The thought that we should lay hold of our hindrances and handicaps and make handles out of them is a thought that it would be well for us to frequently emphasize.

This is exactly what Paul did. No person can read, I think, the account of his ministry and not be impressed by this truth. Writing to the Philippians he wrote, "I would that ye should understand, brethren, that the things which have happened unto me have fallen out rather to the furtherance of the gospel." Phil. 1:12. How could this possibility have taken place if Paul had not learned the secret of making the very best of every situation in which he found himself? Learning how to make handles out of handicaps he turned those experiences of his life that were brought about, in large part at least, by the enemy, into triumphs that God was able to use in what Paul called "the furtherance of the gospel." He might have allowed himself to be discouraged, to become despondent, to be downcast, and to do what John Mark did when he abandoned the enterprise he had undertaken. Acts 13:13. But Paul refused to yield to discouragement. He was sure God had called him, that God had appointed him, and anointed him, and that he was in the will of God. He well knew that if he had no test-

ings to go through, and no difficulties to overcome, he could not be an overcomer. He knew also that the greater battles he had to fight, and the opposition he had to encounter, the greater the victory would be. He was sure that God was with him, and that God is almighty. The work he was engaged in was the work of God; and he was confident that God would give the increase. All Paul had to do was to be faithful to the task that had been assigned unto him. He was not expected to do the work of another, but to do his own work only. The God who called him, and had thrust him forth, would take care of the results. So he was able to say, "I have planted, Apollos has watered, but God has given the increase. So neither he that planted is anything, neither he that watereth, but God that giveth the increase."

Among Paul's other testings and trials was his "thorn in the flesh." Just what it was we cannot be sure. Most expositors believe it was an affliction of the eyes that made reading and writing very difficult. He usually dictated his letters to an amanuensis. But he appears to have written the Epistle to the Galatians with his own hand. And it was evidently very difficult for him to do so. I am writing on a typewriter, and while I find myself unable to distinguish the characters that are impressed upon the paper I am able to see the keys of the typewriter, not very distinctly, but knowing where the keys are located I am able to type what it would be hard for me to write with a pen. But Paul had no typewriter. So in his letter to the Galatians he wrote, "See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand." Gal. 6:11. Revised Standard Version.

Paul besought the Lord thrice that this "thorn in the flesh" might depart from him, or, in other words, that he might be delivered from this "messenger of Satan" that had been sent to "buffet" him. But God for a wise purpose had permitted him to be afflicted. The prayer Paul prayed was answered, but not in the way in which he had expected. God said, "My grace is sufficient for thee, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Paul afterwards triumphantly wrote, "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities that the power of Christ may rest upon me." And he added, "Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake, for when I am weak then I am strong."

One day I said to the Lord, "How is it possible to get pleasure out of something in which there is no pleasure? Certainly there is no pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, or hardships, as the word is rendered in the Standard Revised Version, in persecutions, and in distresses, or calamities." And the Lord said to me, "You have not read the passage aright. Paul did not say

that he got pleasure out of these things; but that he took pleasure in them, — not out of them, but in them. He took the pleasure, and took it by faith, from the only source from which it is possible for one to take real pleasure. It is at the right hand of God, where the Lord is seated, that there are pleasures forevermore, and from that source Paul took pleasure." I thanked the Lord for what he had told me.

In matters not what our physical condition may be, it matters not how we may be tested or tried, it matters not what opposition we may be encountering, what battles we may have to fight, or what obstacles we may have to surmount, we can do what Stephen did when all around him the stones were flying, and his body was being covered with bruises and gashes, and the earth was being made moist with the blood of the first Christian martyr, — we can look up, with the eye of faith, and see Jesus at the right hand of the Father, where there are "pleasures forevermore," and recognizing the truth that we by faith are seated "in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus," we can take pleasure from the only source from which true pleasure can be taken. It was from that source that Paul took it. And he took it by faith. And, taking it by faith, he had it. No wonder he was such a triumphant Christian. No wonder he could say, "This light affliction which is but for a moment worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal."

Up there in glory I shall clearly see
The face of Him who loved and died
for me.

My vision will be perfect then,
I'm sure;

Meanwhile down here in Christ I am
secure.



GOOD PROGRESS BEING MADE ON SCHOOL



Construction of the new Glad Tidings Bible Institute dormitories at Bethany Park had reached this stage by May 27.

MANY PLAN TO ATTEND CAMP MEETING

Bethany Park, July 1 to 16

Camp meeting time this year will have the usual good things that our people have enjoyed from year to year. Good sessions of Bible study, warm evangelistic services, inspiring missionary services, and activities designed to please and help the young people and the children.

The new home for Glad Tidings Bible Institute will be an added interest. Work will continue on it as much as possible. Some are planning to work on the buildings during the day and then to enjoy the services in the evenings.

BRING YOUR OWN BEDDING . . .
the nights are cool.

MEALS IN THE CAFETERIA AT NOMINAL PRICES . . .

cooking in tents is not permitted because of fire hazard.

DO NOT BRING PETS. . . .

they cannot be permitted to run loose, and it is very difficult to keep them on leash all the time.

COME BY AUTO IF POSSIBLE . . .

it's a long way from the entrance to the activity area. Greyhound busses stop at the grounds.

QUICK REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE . . .

the Spot will serve milk shakes, hamburgers, ice cream, candy, etc.

No reservations will be made for minors. They must be accompanied by parents or guardians.

Special Speakers

TOM JOHNSTONE

Toronto, Canada

C. E. BUTTERFIELD

Seattle, Washington

WHAT SOME ARE DOING

One pastor writes: "We have decided to tithe our church offerings every month and to send it in for the Bible school fund for the time being."

Another writes: "We have 71 members, including a few intermediates. Most of the people are laborers. We have no wealthy persons. Also, we have a building program obligation of an average of \$100 per month. The folks that are doing the giving are sacrificing. We need song books. We need a piano. We need Sunday school rooms. The front of the church needs painting. But — they can wait." This note accompanied a gift of \$600.

This kind of giving will get the new school up and operating on schedule. Every gift is appreciated; they all help to meet the great need that now faces our District.

GLAD TIDINGS BIBLE INSTITUTE

SUMMER SCHOOL

From July 17 till August 25, the summer school session of Glad Tidings Bible Institute will be held at the new campus at Santa Cruz. Electives will be offered in Theology, Music, and Christian Education. There will be at least three full-time faculty members teaching during the summer. About fifty students are anticipated.

Information regarding the summer session may be obtained by writing the Registrar's office at the Bible Institute.

ORDER BLANK FOR RESERVATIONS

	Day	Season
1 Tent (2 cots, pads)	() \$1.00	() \$14.00
1 Tent (cot, pad)	() 1.00	() 13.00
Tent Dormitory: () men; () women (check which) ()	1.00	() 12.50

FOR THOSE WHO BRING PART OF THEIR EQUIPMENT:

Tent only	() .60	() 9.00
Steel cot	() .20	() 2.00
Cot pads	() .20	() 2.00
Straw ticks for double bed or cots	() .10	() 1.25
Camp and Trailer space	() .50	() 5.00

(Mark with X in space provided and mail with cash.)

Name

Address

City

Date of Arrival

Those desiring to stay only a night or two or over the weekend will be cared for as we have accommodations in tents and dormitories. The ten rate includes no bedding. The dormitories accommodations include bedding.

NOTE: Straw ticks will be supplied when mattresses are no longer available.

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Some churches and some individuals have added to their contributions. To keep before our readers a complete picture, again all contributions to date are listed, together with definite pledges made. Where pledges and contributions are shown, the contributions apply on the total pledged.

Received to May 25

	(Pledged)	(Contributed)
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G. Earl Taylor, Galt	500.00	
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Benicia Assembly	155.65	60.65
Bethany Park (Campground S. S.)		301.40
Boyes Springs Assembly		71.01
Corning Assembly		85.00
Cotati Assembly		7.63
Cupertino Trinity Church		12.90
Delhi Good Tidings Church		100.00
El Cerrito Assembly		250.00
Escalon Assembly		349.00
Fairfield Assembly		12.13
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Gilroy Glad Tidings	375.00	100.00
Hollister Full Gospel Church		40.00
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Live Oak Assembly		110.00
Modesto Bethel Church		1,000.00
Montague Assembly		26.00
Morgan Hill Full Gospel Church	500.00	315.31
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Oakland Bethany Chapel		150.00
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Oakland Calvary Temple		41.57
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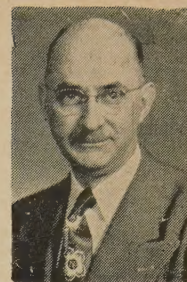
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W. M. Webb (Ordained) from New Mexico.

Leonard Weston (Ordained) from Arizona.

C. W. Whitley (Licensed) from Oregon.

T. R. Whittington (Ordained) from Southern California.

Transferred OUT of the District

G. C. Boswell (Licensed) to Southern California.

Sally M. Bradley (Licensed) to Arkansas.

Robert L. Cornwall (Licensed) to Southern California.

O. L. Ellenwood (Ordained) to Southern California.

Ralph W. Gaither (Ordained) to Southern California.

John Hopcroft (Licensed) to New Mexico.

John S. Jamison (Ordained) to Oregon.

Vivian M. Jamison (Mrs. J. S.) (Licensed) to Oregon.

Marvin Kilgore (Licensed) to Oklahoma.
H. Eugene Mann, Jr. (Licensed) to Oklahoma.

Pedro Masuecos (Licensed) to Philippines.

Robert E. Miller (Licensed) to Canada.

Catalino N. Nacar (Exhorter) to Southern California.

John C. Paz (Licensed) to Southern California.

Russell E. Pratt (Licensed) to Potomac.

Palmerine Pratt (Mrs. R. E.) (Licensed) to Potomac.

Felix Siboyan, Jr. (Licensed) to Southern California.

Ida M. Stuart (Ordained) to Southern California.

Leo A. Suan (Ordained) to Philippines.

Betty Suan (Mrs. L. A.) (Licensed) to Philippines.

Withdrew:

Hazel MacLeod, Dunsmuir.

G. R. Maloney, Alameda.

Watson T. Moore, Chico.

Raymond S. Osborn, San Francisco.

Deceased:

Omey H. Carrell, Ceres.

T. E. Woods, Merced.

SCHEDULE OF FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

JUNE

12—Lakeport, Martinez
19—Hawthorne, Weitchpec
20—Alturas
26—Firebaugh, Salinas (Alisal),
Willows

JULY

3—Janesville, Modesto (6th & G)
10—Klamath
24—Alamo, Stirling City

H. S. Lehmann, Seaside

Nels Olsen, Chico

A. E. Osborn, Alameda

O. Painter, Ceres

R. O. Price, Watsonville

L. W. Suter, Vallejo

J. E. Stiles, Oakdale

A. Taligatos, Isleton

Mrs. Estella Wilcox, S. F.

\$22.50—C. J. Hodges, Seaside

\$20.00

C. Bourothimos, S. F.

T. L. Mendenhall, Auburn

Emil Ray, Los Angeles

John C. Wright, Auburn

\$16.00—W. W. Teeters, Trinidad

\$15.85—N. R. Ingram, Klamath

\$13.00—Era Vidra, Redwood City

\$10.00

Anonymous, Ukiah

A. G. Benning, Woodland

Forest Beiser, Turlock

Dr. Abbott Book, San Francisco

G. V. Calcagno, San Leandro

J. H. Creel, Burney

R. C. Fulmer, Woodland

J. C. Martin, Hayward

M. Minogue & G. McMillan, Hollister

Mae Ninemire, Herlong

Leonard Palmer, Burlingame

Emmy Pearson, San Francisco

David, Slankard, Vallejo

\$5.00

Fred A. Atwell, Oakland

Ruth Bertenshaw, Portola

V. E. Christian, Sacramento

Guy Dunlop, Modesto

Max Freimark, San Jose

C. E. Haddock, Colfax

S. P. MacPherson

Hattie Matheus, San Francisco

Gertrude Riecke, Somes Bar

George W. Reynard, Eureka

Frank W. Smith, Germany (Chap.)

Dixie Thollander, Hayward

Sylvia Watkins, Blocksburg

Emma Weitz, Piedmont

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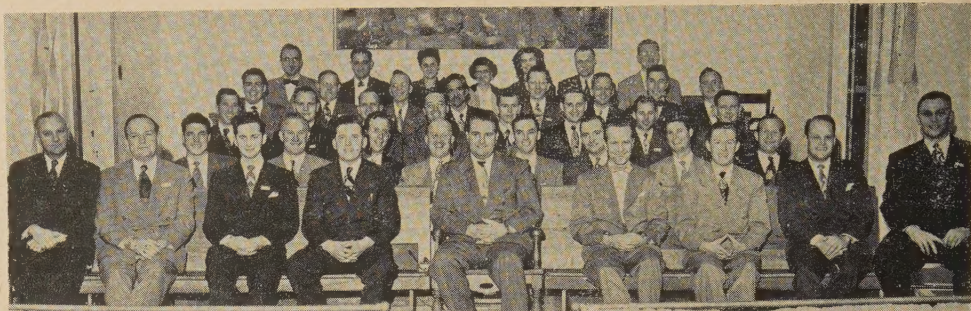
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Christ's



Pictured above are the District presidents who met for a week of special conference in Springfield, Mo. Seated at the far left, on the front row is National C. A. Director, Bert Webb. At far right is National Secretary, Don Mallough. Our District was represented by Dick Fulmer, on front row, second from right.

NESTOR AND THE BICYCLE

By Ruth Couchman, Peru

Before I left California the Christ's Ambassadors of Newark presented me with a beautiful new bicycle for a Peruvian worker. We could well place several more. The question upon arrival was which of the various workers needed it most urgently. At last the decision was made—it should go to Nestor Elorreaga, pastor of the Miramar and Magdalena churches. In order to care for the second church Nestor was walking four miles back and forth three times a week. He was also teaching in the Bible School, and the bicycle would save him time and precious money, as well as helping him pastor two widely scattered flocks.

I wish you could have seen the dazzled look on Nestor's face when he opened the packing case and lifted out that beautiful red-striped bicycle. He rides it like a king seated on a throne.

Thank you and God bless you C. A.'s. You have a real place in the work in Peru.

HUMBLE YOURSELF

If the Christ is in us, we shall be humble too. We shall not want men to think highly of us. We shall wish to hide our names and faces on his breast, behind his cross, and in His work. We shall not bear great titles to our names. We shall not have flaring advertisements of our work. We shall not ask eulogiums from men. We shall stand with veiled face and bowed head and heavenly humility. We shall be found with Him kneeling at the disciples' feet of the saints. And even if we have the wings of the seraphim, we shall use two of them to cover our face, and two of them to cover our feet, lest we or others should see ourselves or our service.—A. B. Simpson.

Eureka Convention Chorus

Touch my life, Lord Jesus,
With Thy nail-scarred hand,
As for Thee I live and
Daily take my stand.
May my life o'erflow
So that all may know,
Thou hast touched my life
With Thy nail-scarred hand.

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For more complete information and reservations write — A. G. Benning, 140 Court St., Woodland, Calif.



The Glad Tidings Bible Institute male quartet sings on the Eureka Convention radio broadcast. Keith Hill is shown at left. This was a half hour broadcast over Station KIEM.



From left to right on the platform during the Sunday morning service at the convention: Elmer Andrews, R. J. Thurmond, Kenneth Haystead, Phil Sondeno, W. T. Gaston, Wes. Steelberg (at pulpit) and Kirk Soper, Jr.

I Attended the Eureka Convention

by Kirk Soper, Jr.

As many young people drove along the scenic Redwood Empire highway which leads to Eureka, I am sure that they—like myself—were impressed with the majesty and everlasting presence of God. Thus they were prepared for a convention, the first to be held in Eureka, that was to declare the glory of God.

Our District president, Dick Fulmer, and Pastor Clarence Larson made preliminary arrangements and worked together in preparation weeks before the actual beginning of this Christ-exalting young people's convention. A large display window in Daly's Department Store was decorated with C. A. pictures and Speed-the-Light information (see pic-

ture-). These consisted of a large Speed-the-Light emblem and a picture of the "Ambassador II" attractively placed in the center, surrounded by posters describing Speed-the-light and the Christ's Ambassadors Organization. The municipal auditorium was beautifully decorated by the flower committee of the local church. The populace of that area was well informed of the convention, for the radio station and local newspaper were very cooperative in publicizing our meetings.

The spiritual tone in all the services was outstanding. This, I believe, can be attributed to the pre-convention prayers and the yielded spirits of our Pentecostal

young people. Every evening Brother Haystead brought inspired words of life which evidenced much prayer, study, and consecration. The thrilling part of those services was the response of hundreds of young people. Some came forward for a closer walk with God, some for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and a good number came to acknowledge their sins and accept Christ's pardon.

Saturday night the G.T.B.I. choir was present. The choir was featured on a radio broadcast direct from the auditorium. How it made us rejoice to hear those students sing praise unto the Lord. Sunday afternoon Brother Peirce, president of our own G.T.B.I., spoke briefly concerning the Bible School in Santa Cruz. Our hearts were moved as he spoke and an offering of \$106 was received for the need of the school.

We were privileged to hear Spirit-inspired messages from each of our District C. A. officers. Sunday morning a worshipful spirit pervaded the atmosphere in which our District Superintendent spoke to us.

Along with these many good services already mentioned, the Friday morning "Youth in Tune" service, conducted by Kenneth Haystead, was very impressive and shall not soon be forgotten. We were encouraged to testify. Many told of recent revivals in their own young people's groups. Praise the Lord!

We rejoice in the fact that many were greatly encouraged and a definite number were saved during the convention. The complete results will not be known until eternity. With the glorious convention thrills still lingering on, I am anxiously looking forward to the fall convention which is to be held in San Jose.



Above is shown display in a Eureka department store window ten days before and during the C. A. Convention.

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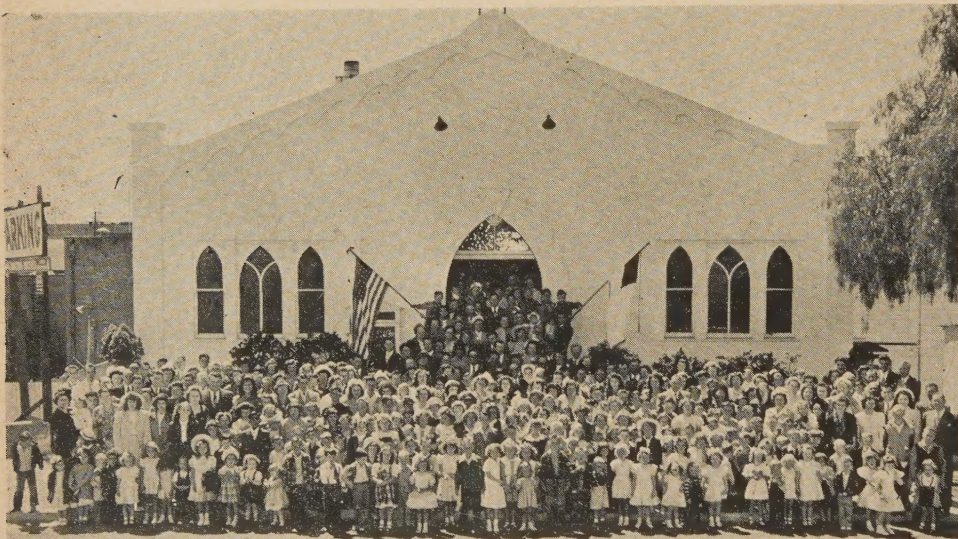
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L. W. SUTER, DIRECTOR



Vallejo is on the move! Attendance Easter Sunday (shown above) was 378. Average attendance this year is about 240. J. L. Gerhart is the pastor. The superintendent is Wanda Custock.

Sunday School Convention

The Advisory Committee announces a District Sunday School convention to be held in Bethel Temple, Sacramento, October 2, 3, 4.

Paul Copeland, Promotional Director of the National Sunday School Department, will be the evening speaker. There will be special messages — workshops — time for questions — displays.

Pastors, superintendents, teachers, and workers — begin making plans to attend this great convention.

A LUXURY

Suffering for Christ's sake appears to have been regarded as a luxury by many who have endured the pains of martyrdom. The face of Stephen shone like that of an angel while his soul was being pelted out of its poor tenement of clay. Latimer spoke of "good cheer" when the fire was blazing round him. It has been said that when the man born blind was driven out of the synagogue (John 9) he was driven into the arms of Christ. So has it often been. Just as the mother's sweetest lullaby is reserved for the hour when the child is suffering, so the choicest joys of Heaven are granted to the suffering child of God.—H. T.



Missions

SOWING THE SEED

SAMOA

M. H. Luce

Come and take a journey with our Samoan sowers as we prepare to sow the Word of Life. The Speed-the-Light Jeep will carry our party. You may be sure that we shall take every precaution to see that the motor, battery, and brakes are in good order, for there are no highway service stations in Samoa. It is always easy to find a willing Samoan to work on the Jeep, but you never know for sure whether he is a good mechanic or not until the time comes to put the motor parts together again. I have learned that it is best to teach my own boys how to take off the carburetor and other minor parts, clean them, and put them back correctly. We always carry the tool box and some boys in case we need to make repairs.

The first part of our journey takes us for many miles along the south coast of Tutuila. There are a few small villages near the sea. We stop a few moments in each place to hand out tracts and Sunday school papers. Our trip takes us through the edge of a tropical jungle. There are huge banyan trees that tower above all the other trees, and in their branches live different kinds of ferns and creeping vines. The banyan trees look like they grow on stilts, because the many roots around the base of the tree extend high into the air. The entire trunk of the tree for 50 or 60 feet from the ground is composed of aerial roots that grow straight down from the branches to the ground.

After passing the jungle we round the southern tip of Tutuila and enter the western district village of Leone. This is a large village, so we spend a long time here giving out papers. Next we head for the village at the end of the road. Of course we shall pass several small villages enroute. Here and there on this part of our journey we overtake men and women who are on their way to catch fish. How pleased they are to see the Missie stop, for they know his boys bring them Bible pictures and Bible literature printed in the Samoan language.

As the sun drops gently toward the placid Pacific, our Ambassadors for Christ climb aboard the Jeep and we turn our faces homeward, glad for another day to sow precious seed for the Lord. You may be sure of our sincere gratitude for the Sunday school papers and picture rolls. By distributing these, we have made many new points of contact. May the Lord reward your faithfulness in sending offerings too.

WEST AFRICA The Eric Johnsons

(Brother and Sister Eric M. Johnson who have ministered in this District for years at different times, left the pastorate they had in Oklahoma City and returned to Gold Coast nearly two years ago.)

During the past year we have visited scores of places, and we have come back time after time with the gospel of our Lord. The people have flocked to our services. It is really touching to see them stand in the open for over an hour listening to the Word.

One day we were asked to go and lecture on America. I am proud of being an American, but I thought of many things of which I am ashamed. So I soon left America behind and got into the Bible. I wish that you could have seen the faces of hundreds of prisoners as the Word went forth, interpreted first into Fante and then into Hausa. Sometimes I would switch over into a little Dagomba, and there would be some from the Northern Territories who would understand. One fellow, who sat right up near us, was so moved that his eyes puddled up and he got down and dusted our shoes with his handkerchief three or four times. Mrs. Johnson had to sing over and over again for them, and the accordion really struck fire. A week or so ago I received a letter from a prisoner asking me to come right away, as he had "formed an Assembly of God right in the prison." I went a week later and found that he had gathered about 20 repentant men into a Christian fellowship, and they called themselves "The Assembly of God." You may smile even as I did, but why limit the arm of the Almighty? Now they want books. Through the kindness of the prison superintendent, we are free to come and go at any time."

CENTRAL AMERICA

The Arthur Lindvalls

(Brother and Sister Arthur Lindvall are in Santa Ana, El Salvador, at the Bible school and mission station with Brother and Sister Ralph Williams.)

Most of you read the account by Ralph Williams in the *Pentecostal Evangel* of his trip to San Ignacio and his reception there. The believers had paid 100 pesos rent for a year in advance on a building in which to hold services. But the owner, in fear of the rest of the people in the town, returned the money a week later, refusing them the building. Brother Williams visited there a few weeks later and received a shower of stones, breaking his windshields. *But God!* The believers set themselves to prayer. Since December 15, twenty-nine of the believers have received the bap-

tism of the Holy Spirit. All four of the grown children of one of the enemies of the work have received the Holy Spirit, and the father consented to sell a house he owned in the central part of the town to the believers for services for 400 pesos. You can imagine the rejoicing among the believers.

During the last months the doors have opened to have radio broadcasts that reach the entire republic and even into the other countries by long and short waves. We have a two- or two-and-a-half minute Scripture reading daily at 6:30 p. m., just before the news broadcast, that costs us \$6 a month. Also we have a half-hour broadcast every Tuesday evening at 8:30 at a cost of \$6 a month. Although this cost is very small we cannot meet it ourselves. Help for this cause can be sent to the Missions Department in Springfield designated Radio, El Salvador. Through the radio we reach people that are interested in the gospel, but will never come to our churches to hear preaching. The only way to reach them is by radio.

PERU

Frank Isensee Jr.

The Lord has wonderfully undertaken in enabling us to open a complete new work in Otuzco, which is a very promising center some four hours from Trujillo. Also He has given us a lovely little new church building in Paijan, where we started services right after Christmas and have seen several souls brought into the glorious gospel light. And a week ago, on prayer meeting night, we were overjoyed to see eight of these receive the precious baptism in the Holy Spirit.

We have recently been able to secure a place for holding services in Chocope, another town for which we have asked your prayers in the past. We are believing the Lord to send in the money necessary to build benches and other necessities.

The Lord has also heard our cries concerning the spiritual need of the Trujillo church, which is our main church in this section. Recently 11 have received the Holy Spirit. We have been emphasizing the Sunday school, for the attendance was pitifully low. Some said impossible when we started asking for 70, but all of us had a pleasant surprise last Sunday when the secretary said there were 83 in Sunday school. We are now working for 100. It surely gives us joy to see the Lord working in the hearts of the brethren.

DORRIS L. ABBOTT, qualified teacher, is open for special meetings for teaching organization of week-day Bible classes, the use of visual aid, especially flannel-board. Learn how to make back-grounds for visual aid material. Sister Abbott's address: P. O. Box 262, Montague, California.

ALTURAS — Brother C. E. Freeze is serving as acting pastor for a number of weeks, until a permanent pastor is chosen.

ANTIOCH — The North Bay district fellowship meeting was held there May 8. Evangelist J. L. Jeffrey, who was then holding special tent meetings in Antioch with Pastor R. M. Catlett, was the evening speaker. Tent meetings will be continued through the warm season. The congregation and Sunday school are growing and will be in need of accommodations, so plans are being made accordingly.

BRICELAND — The church out at Thorn was host to the Redwood fellowship meeting on May 8. The new building, replacing the one destroyed by fire several months ago, is not yet completed, but services have been held in it since April 28. It was filled to capacity for the fellowship gathering. There has been a general stir in the community as interest in the church and its activities increases. The new pastor is Virgil T. Eldridge.

CARMICHAEL — The western half of the Capitol district held its fellowship meeting in the new church at Carmichael in May. Brothers Harold Rhodes, A. F. Gomes, and Z. P. Miller shared the preaching ministry in the afternoon. The evening speaker was Pastor S. F. Hutchinson of North Sacramento. The pastor of this new work is Virgil E. Christian.

CARSON CITY — Pastor M. A. Caudill and congregation have been making progress with the new church building. The foundation is in and work proceeds on the superstructure as finances permit. Revival meetings were held in April with Evangelist David Brown of Lodi.

COLUSA — Brother Dan Flaming, formerly of Gustine, has been chosen to be the new pastor. He began his ministry in Colusa May 14.

COVELO — A very good representative group from the entire subdistrict was in attendance at the Lake-Mendocino fellowship meeting in Covelo on May 8. Pastor Ella M. Beare of Lower Lake was the speaker for the afternoon service. Brother Gaston was the evening speaker. Between services the ladies of the assembly served a fellowship dinner at the Ladies' Club House. Sister Bernice Mast is the pastor.

DIXON — Evangelist Z. P. Miller held a good revival campaign with Pastor Stanley Walsh in May.

EL CERRITO — Pastor Leonard H. Rogers has resigned to accept the call to the pulpit of Calvary Temple in Stockton, to succeed Brother Earl F. Davis. Brother E. Wm. Anderson has been chosen to be the new pastor in El Cerrito. He begins his ministry there as pastor the first Sunday in June. Brother and Sister Rogers have been with the El Cerrito church from its beginning in 1943, when it was built as a District home missions project. The assembly has grown into a thriving church with a large Sunday school.

ELKO — Brother B. C. Finfrock held good revival meetings with Pastor B. L. Tewell in April. The meetings were held

News from . . .

Here and There

Albert J. Lebeck, Field Reporter :-: 2622 W Street :-: Sacramento, Calif

in the new building to which the church has moved. Sunday school rooms have been built in the basement of the building.

FAIRFIELD — The North Bay fellowship meeting was held there in May. Pastor Charles Pepper of Lafayette was the afternoon speaker. Brother Gaston was the evening speaker. The pastor in Fairfield is C. R. Tucker.

FORT BRAGG — Pastor and Mrs. F. T. Alford of Boonville were in Fort Bragg for two weeks of evangelistic meetings the latter part of April. Three received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and several were at the altar for salvation. Pastor Ivan Chapman now has a radio program every Sunday morning on Station KDAC from 8:30 to 9:00.

LOVELOCK — The Nevada district fellowship meeting held there April 24 was very well attended. The afternoon messages were brought by Brother George Hunter, then supplying the pulpit in Reno for Pastor Walter E. Smith, and Brother Harold Rhodes, missionary to Sierra Leone. Brother B. C. Finfrock, then in evangelistic work in Nevada, was the evening speaker. The pastors in Lovelock are Brother and Sister Charles McPheeters.

NAPA — Claire Colgan reports: "The C. A.'s have been having a real revival. There have been four saved and 23 filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother and Sister Reed held the revival meetings." The pastor is A. J. Ruedger.

OAKLAND (Bethany) — In spite of very rainy weather, the fellowship meeting of the East Bay area held in Bethany Chapel on May 1 was well attended, and was singularly blessed of the Lord. Pastor Leonard Rogers of El Cerrito brought the afternoon message. For the evening service the congregation went to the tent meeting then being held in downtown Oakland under the auspices of the Fundamental churches of Oakland.

OAKLAND (Temple) — Pastor Winston B. Nelson reports a good growth in the Sunday school since the church has moved from Market Street to its new location on Penniman Avenue. When they first opened in the new building there were two children present besides his own family. Now the attendance has reached as high as 151. Brother Glenn Parker, who comes originally from the Northwest District, is new assistant pastor. Brother and Sister Parker have just finished two years of missionary work in the Hawaiian Islands.

OROVILLE — The Sacramento Valley fellowship meeting was held there in April. The afternoon service was well attended, nearly filling the church, which has recently been enlarged. The building was crowded to capacity for the evening service. Pastor Chas. L. Elmes of Gridley, and the District

presbyter, was the afternoon speaker. Evangelist S. A. Merrill, then holding special meetings in Oroville, was the evening speaker. In addition to enlarging the auditorium, the church has added a prayer room, a baptistry, and two Sunday school rooms upstairs to the building. The interior has been redecorated, including new drapes and floor covering. The pastor in Oroville is Wm. T. Scott.

PINEDALE — Brother Edward B. Byram has been chosen to be the new pastor.

PLACERVILLE — At the end of April Pastor T. F. Barker reported: "We have just concluded four weeks revival meetings with Evangelist J. L. Jeffrey of Ceres. Nine were saved and five were filled with the Holy Spirit. Our Sunday school record was broken, with 117. There are 11 candidates for water baptism. Some gave good testimonies of healing during the campaign. The last night of the meeting 11 responded to the altar call."

RED BLUFF — Evangelist Nels Lien held a good revival campaign with Pastor Everett Morgan for three weeks in May.

REDWOOD CITY — Evangelist Johnne Smith of Modesto held special meetings from April 9 to 30 with very good results. The pastor is Edward R. Gomes.

SAN BRUNO — Brother Lyle W. Corsaw has resigned as pastor. Sunday, May 21, brought to a close his pastorship, which began in August 1946. At that time the assembly met in a rented hall; now it has an attractive church building, which has cost to date \$25,000, in addition to the lot and labor. Pastor Nelson Hinman of Bethel Temple, Sacramento, was the speaker for a recent city-wide union revival campaign in which six churches of San Bruno participated. Brother O. W. Keyes, who has resigned as president of G. T. B. I., is the new pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO (Glad Tidings) — Pastor Evelyn Olson held good revival meetings in the temple for two weeks in May for Pastor L. R. Keys.

SAN FRANCISCO (Bethel) — Very interested crowds attended the Bible conference Pastor Charles G. Weston conducted, with several guest speakers, from April 26 to May 1.

SAN JOSE (Bethel) — The southern half of the Peninsula district held its fellowship meeting in Bethel Church on May 15. The afternoon speaker was Pastor C. E. Persing of Richmond. Pastor Orville Painter of Modesto was the evening speaker. E. O. Robeck is the pastor of Bethel.

SAUSALITO — S. H. Robertson reports very good interest shown in the revival meetings Evangelist Iola Wiseman held there April 9 to 23. A number were reclaimed and some received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

SOMES BAR — The Redwood district had a very good fellowship meeting there April 17. There were 115 served at an evening fellowship dinner. Pastor David Watson of Rio Dell brought the afternoon message. The evening speaker was Evangelist C. G. Roberts.

STOCKTON (Calvary) — Brother Leonard H. Rogers, formerly of El Cerrito, has been chosen to be the new pastor, successor to Brother Earl F. Davis. Brother and Sister Rogers begin their ministry in Calvary the first Sunday in June.

SOLEDAD — The Coast Counties fellowship meeting was held there April 24. Pastor Thomas Simms reports that a good crowd attended and enjoyed a very good time of blessing and fellowship. Pastor C. A. Ellenwood of Watsonville brought the afternoon message. Pastor J. W. Belcher of Gilroy was the evening speaker.

TRACY — Brother J. E. Warren Hull has been chosen to be the new pastor, successor to Pastor L. A. Lawrence. During Brother Lawrence's ministry in Tracy a fine new building was erected on the corner of 11th and Wall Streets.

WILLITS — The April fellowship meeting of the Lake-Mendocino district was held there on the 10th. There were many at the altar at the close of the evening service. Pastor F. T. Alford of Boonville was the afternoon speaker. Pastor R. L. Neal of Rohnerville brought the evening message. A business meeting was held by the ministers and young people. Pastor Pete North of Willits was elected C. A. sectional chairman in place of Brother A. G. Benning, who had left the section, having gone to Woodland.

PERSONAL MENTION

Evangelist WILBUR OGILVIE held a divine healing campaign in Buffalo, New York, from May 7 to 21.

Brother B. C. FINFROCK has been in meetings in Wyoming since early May. He began a campaign in Rawlins May 7.

AGNES RODLI and MILDRED JAMES are on furlough from their work in Nikolai, Alaska. They arrived May 6 at Myrtle Point, Oregon, where they have been enjoying a well deserved rest. They are expected to be at our camp meeting in July.

Evangelist and Mrs. NELS LIEN have been ministering in Oregon in recent weeks. They held a campaign in April at Shady Cove with Pastor R. T. DOHERTY. Following this meeting they held three nights of special services in Newberg with Pastor ROBERT PIRTLE.

Evangelist J. W. STOVALL held a revival campaign in St. Clair, Michigan, in April. He expects to remain in Michigan for some time for further campaigns.

Brother and Sister A. J. VICKERS are now available for evangelistic meetings. Their address is 649 Girard St., San Francisco.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS — Evangelist J. L. Jeffrey, Sixth Street, Ceres, California. Telephone 442-R-1.

THE NEW SAN BRUNO CHURCH



This church, corner San Bruno Avenue and Masson was dedicated December 12. The auditorium can seat 300. Three stories high in the rear, it has space for Sunday school rooms and evangelist's apartment. Building is 40 x 90, with 40-foot tower. Builder is Lyle W. Corsaw, former pastor.

Wedding in Oakland

At the close of the morning service Sunday, May 21, Pastor E. Elsworth Krogstad waited at the altar as wedding music was played on the pipe organ. United in marriage in a solemn but informal ceremony were Elizabeth Thommen (known to the District fellowship for years as Betty) and Howard Anderson. The Andersons will make their home on a large farm east of Galt.

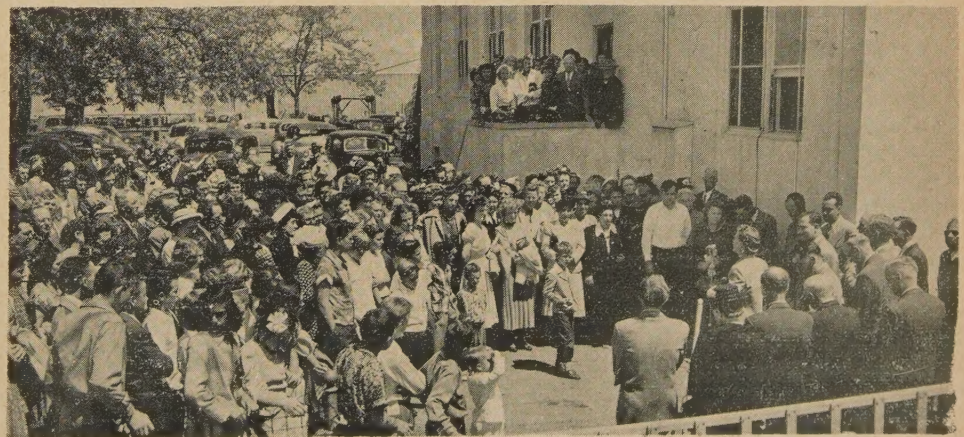


New Arrivals

Pastor and Mrs. M. A. Caudill of Carson City welcomed their third daughter into the home on April 10. Little Nina Ruth has one brother.

Below—Crowd at rear of Bethel Temple, Turlock, for ground breaking ceremony Sunday, April 30.

Above—Pastor R. Carrington turns first shovel of dirt for new Sunday school annex in Turlock.



Women's Missionary Council

The Ladies Enjoy Sectional Rallies

"DISPLAY," "SPECIAL FEATURE," "SPEAKERS," and "REMEMBER THE DATE AND TIME," appeared on an invitation to the all-day Women's Missionary Council meeting of the Coast Counties Section at Pacific Grove on April 26, asking the women to bring novel ideas for display and "Gadget Dolls" for a contest. Brother and Sister Harold Lehmann from Gold Coast, B. W. Africa, brought timely messages and answered questions. Sister Jacobson from China, and Brother and Sister Luther Perkins, who served as missionaries in South America, also took part. The dolls, "Irish Mollie," "Mr. and Mrs. Holli Mission," "Miss Half Moon Bay," "Miss Santa Cruz," "Miss Sprinkle," "Kitchen Helper Twins," and "Baby Doll" will all be brought to camp to compete with other such ingenious, personality-packing, original, clever, useful dolls made up from articles from the dime store. Bring yours also. Prizes will be awarded. They will be judged according to the above adjectives, not according to the number of articles used, and will be given to missionaries going to foreign fields.

On May 10 Sister Theodore Bueno from Chili was the guest speaker for the Peninsula sectional rally at Los Gatos. Mrs. Bueno can be contacted at 1021 C Street, Reedley, for meetings.

Also on May 10, the state officers and sectional directors of Southern California District convened at Fresno for a W. M. C. Seminar. The Northern California officers were invited. Mrs. L. H. Rogers, East Bay director, accompanied me to the two-day session, which was well worth while and very interesting and instructive. I had hoped that several sectional directors from the southern part of our District would be able to attend. Brother and Sister Oliver Foth were the missionary guest speakers — Brother Foth's first meeting since returning from South India. Subjects discussed in the forum were: Missionary Conventions and what is the best and most effective program for them; district conventions; sectional conventions or metropolitan, including all the churches in a large city, or local church conventions over one Sunday or possibly covering several days; and the Women's Missionary Council's place in the missionary program. This subject was presented by Sister Erickson. Sister Luce presented "Special Projects" and suggested that there be a wise balance of interest between home and foreign missions keeping the spiritual needs of the missionaries uppermost. Also that groups cover a wide range such as (a) care of children—orphans, (b) care of the aged—ministers' home, (c) supplies to evangelists, (d) churches being

built and (e) Bible Schools on the foreign field.

Sister Maxwell from North Hollywood gave a most thought-provoking and enlightening talk, supported by Scripture, on the subject of finance. I have asked sister Rogers to cover this for us at one of our meetings at camp. Several other subjects were discussed and I was asked to talk about "Packages and Correspondence."

LOCAL PRESIDENTS: The W.M.C. hand books have been mailed out. I trust each local president and pastor has received one. If not, please advise immediately. Additional copies of the handbook and leaflets can be obtained by requesting them. It will be necessary to charge a small amount to help toward the cost of printing.

Word has been received from a number of missionaries that they expect to be with us for camp: Brother and Sister Oliver Foth, India; Brother and Sister Theodore Bueno, Chili, S. A.; Mildred James and Agnes Rodi, Alaska; Sister Alberta Daniels and Elaine, Peru; Brother and Sister Paul Wright (Miriam Kennedy), Africa; Brother and Sister Herbert Felton (Olga Pitt), Peru; and Dorothy Dodge, India. The Lehmanns will be in Texas during camp but will be back for the C. A. camp, so any of the groups desiring to bring things for them can do so. Miss Minogue wants at least 1,000 cans of fruit and vegetables for the missionaries. Bring only displays that can be given out unless someone is going to take care of what you wish returned. Mark items so the missionaries can know who to thank. Several groups were disappointed last year. See you at camp!

—Mrs. R. J. Thurmond

If you love God with heart and soul,
You cannot fail to reach the goal.

SOULS?

(This article was written as an English assignment of the Junior Class. Ernest P. Sjöberg is the teacher.)

Many people in our churches today are wondering why souls aren't being saved as in the days of the early outpouring. Their pastor or evangelist pours out his heart, and preaches so that you wonder how a sinner can sit still. Yet, souls aren't saved. What is the matter? Why aren't souls saved as in the former days? Perhaps we ought to examine our own hearts to see how sincerely we want to see men and women brought to the Lord.

In John 9:4, Jesus said, "I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." From this verse we learn the truth that if anything is going to be done it's going to take work!

A business man sitting in his office is studying the progress of his corporation over a period of a few years. He notices that there has been a steady decline. Wondering what has caused it, he begins to investigate and finds out that some of his employees have grown a little lazy and have let other things interest them during business hours. He realizes that the only way to remedy this situation is to make these men work, otherwise there will be no results. In the last few years this condition has become prevalent in many churches. It is not the fault of our leaders, but the fault of the laymen. The shepherd cannot produce more sheep; the flock must do so themselves.

This work can be divided into two parts: prayer and labor. The early church realized the need of prayer. In Acts 6:12 we read, "We will give ourselves continually to prayer." We read in James 5:16, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." Without prayer we can do nothing. Nobody can accomplish anything for God without having prayed fervently and received the leading of the Lord. It is the will of God that souls be saved, but it is just as much the will of God that His people pray for their salvation. There is power in prayer. Our

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Glad Tidings Bible Institute

STUDENTS TOUR THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY

The week end of May 7 was very eventful for 20 students of G.T.B.I. Driving more than 2,000 miles, four carloads of students took part in 15 services in 10 churches of our District.

Saturday evening one group arrived at the Redding church, which is pastored

God who hears in secret shall reward His children openly. The secret of success in God's work is prayer.

There is, however, one aspect that too many of us fail to realize. Every Christian must work. God has no other hands through which to work than our hands, no other tongues to tell His message but our tongues, and no other feet to carry the story of salvation than our feet. After we have prayed fervently we must allow God to use us. This is not to be confused and thought that we are to "help God out," but we are to allow Him to work through us: There is much work to be done, and who is to do it? Paul gives us the answer in I Corinthians 3:9, *"For we are laborers together with God."* If souls are going to be saved, God's people are going to have to go out and bring them in.

The Lord's coming is near. Millions around us do not know of God's redemption plan. How can such a thing be prevented? God's children—who sit in the pew Sunday after Sunday—must arouse themselves and realize that it is they who are responsible for so few souls being saved in our churches today. Not God, not the preacher, but the individual church member must warn the unsaved.

A young lady was planning a large banquet in her home on a certain evening. She planned everything carefully so that it would be a great success. All was in place, the food cooked to perfection, the decorations arranged in the most artistic manner possible, and she herself looked exquisite. The hour for the banquet came, and she was extremely excited. But something seemed to be wrong. The guests were not arriving. She called her servant to her and inquired as to what was the matter. Her servant had failed to send out the invitations.

Have we, God's servants sent out the invitations to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb: The responsibility is ours.

—Ruth Good

by Harold Byram. Here a youth rally was held and many young people consecrated their lives to the Lord.

Sunday morning began a very full day of activities for this group. The first stop was Anderson, where Jack Wein is pastor. After a good service in this growing church, the group traveled 40 miles to the prison camp at Whitmore, where Warren Weaver, one of our ministers, is the chaplain. This was the outstanding meeting of the week end, for at the close of the service eight boys raised their hands to acknowledge their need of the Saviour. What a wonderful sight!

The next service was at the Oak Run Community Church, which is pastored by Dave and Gertrude Sims, Glad Tidings alumni. The Spirit of the Lord accompanied us here also, and it seemed that the presence of the Lord grew sweeter at each service.

From Oak Run we returned to Redding and conducted the C. A. meeting, as well as the evening evangelistic service. Again many people came to the altar to consecrate themselves to the Lord.

Another group was graciously received by Pastor C. C. Catledge at Willows. The presence of the Lord made the Sunday school and morning worship service a time of real blessing.

In Orland, Pastor Ray Harper gave us charge of the afternoon service. Our hearts were thrilled by the many young people present and the salvation of a young man.

Sunday evening at Corning, where Brother Joseph Harper is pastor, a missionary service was presented for the C. A.'s. Our eyes were lifted to look on the fields. We pray that we might faithfully follow Him wherever He may lead us. The evangelistic service was joyous, and we felt that deep conviction rested upon the unsaved.

That same Sunday, Jack Parks and John Tewell represented G.T.B.I. in Paradise and Stirling City. Brother Ray Parks, Jack's father, is the pastor of our church at Paradise. At the C. A. service in Paradise the benefits of Bible school were explained to the young people, who listened eagerly, and some of them expressed a desire to be in our student body next year.

At the Sunday morning service at Stirling City, where Gordon S. Blay is

pastor, the boys provided special music, and preached, as well as presented the needs of the school.

Monday evening was the climax of the trip. The combined groups took charge of the sectional C. A. rally which was held at Chico, in Brother Richard Orchard's church. From the very beginning of this service the Lord blessed, and this continued as the evening message was delivered by Earl Gould, the Junior class president. At the close of the service, dozens of young people made their way to the altar seeking a deeper walk with the Lord.

We feel the blessing of the Lord deep within our hearts, and we thank God for these wonderful opportunities to represent Christ and G.T.B.I. Our prayers remain with the churches which so wonderfully opened their doors to us.

Those who made the trip are: Paul Callahan, Peggy Cherry, Earl Gould, Guy Hardin, Louise Harland, Cameron Haverly, Julius Jepson, Eddie Kramer, Frank Mapes, Walter Neitz, Ray Oliver, Jack Parks, Rita Porter, Wilbur Radford, Paul Riley, Erika Schmidt, Sylvia Smith, John Tewell, Alice Wilson, and Charles Woodson.

SCHOOL SWEATERS

Many situations and traditions go into making Glad Tidings into a family. Studies, devotions, missionary groups, and chapel services are some of these. But they are not merely traditions; they help to unite our hearts in worship to God. The Freshman reception, Junior-Senior banquet, the *Annual* contest, and many other activities help to create a healthy school spirit. It is these little things that help make Glad Tidings.

This year the matter of class sweaters was brought before the student body. Many of you remember the blue sweaters which marked Glad Tidings students for years in the past. Three years ago the classes voted to choose their own color and blocks. The first year was white, then light blue, and last year light grey. This year the student body voted once again to adopt an official school sweater. The last year's gray and maroon was chosen as the most desirable. The white block represents the world, yet to be won for Christ, and over it rests a gray cross, outlined in maroon, the sign by which we conquer.

You will be seeing many of these sweaters around the district from now on, for G. T. students are proud of their school and their new sweaters!

—Sam Sanders, Stockton

G. T. B. I. ALUMNI MEETING - JULY 12 (Wednesday)

BETHANY PARK — 1:30 p.m. IN THE CAFETERIA

Annual business meeting and fellowship gathering - (during second week of camp meeting)

Current Signs

ITEMS OF INTEREST BY ALBERT J. LEBECK

Israel Government Provides Compulsory Military Service

The Israel Government has passed a bill providing for compulsory military service by both men and women. It calls for a maximum of two years service for men and one year for women.

Jewish Population of French Somaliland Now Totals Three

All but three Jews in French Somaliland have emigrated to Israel, and there are no Jews left in Italian and British Somaliland, the World Jewish Congress reports. The three have remained in Djibouti to liquidate the affairs of their fellow Jews after all the rest left for Israel. They also will leave as soon as they can raise funds to complete their work and to buy passage to Israel.—*National Jewish Post*.

Defense Chief Says U. S. Has New Weapons

Secretary of Defense Johnson says that the United States has speeded up development of new weapons more terrible than any the world has ever seen. Johnson said that this country leads in fashioning a variety of new arms that may mean the difference between victory and defeat in war. . . . That the atomic arsenal is no longer a small number of bombs of a single type and size, adding that America's trimmed-down fighting forces are proficient and are getting equipment superior to that of any other nation.

U. S. Submarine Stays Submerged 5,200 Miles

March 15 a United States submarine dived into the Pacific and did not surface again until 21 days later 5,200 miles away.

Candy Cigarettes

According to a feature article in the *Christian Life*, candy cigarettes are rapidly gaining favor with children. The candy cigarettes look very much like the real thing, and they are put in packages labeled Jestershield, Kool, Raleigh, Pal Moll, Cold Gold, Lucky Ten, Camols, etc. Cigarette manufacturers admit that the candy imitations are a good advertisement for the real "smokes."

Along with the cigarettes at many candy counters are imitation beer and liquor bottles filled with sweet syrup for the children to buy.

Christian workers, if we don't win the children to Christ at an early age and fortify them against these snares, the brewers and tobacco manufacturers will enslave them for life and they may be forever lost.

Huge Grain Business Starts Day With Prayer

On the wall is the sign, "He who walks with God cannot carelessly run with the devil."

The \$4,000,000 Union Equity Co-operative Exchange is run on that theory.

The co-op owns the world's largest wheat elevator, but there is no capital stock, no private offices, and work each day begins with prayer meetings.

Seventy-year-old E. N. Puckett has directed the business since it started in 1926. Faith—his and that of his employees and customers—has enabled the enterprise to expand until it is not unusual for the Enid, Oklahoma elevator to handle 500 railroad cars a day.

Puckett, who is almost totally deaf, runs the business with a firm but just hand. A quiet little man, he sits at his desk with a roomful of other employees and transacts one of the biggest grain businesses in the world.

There is no smoking on the fourteenth floor where he does his business.

Puckett is a deeply religious man. While a person waits to see him, the grain king will offer a Bible to pass the time. "Take it home with you," he says, "I buy them to give to my friends."

Each morning two devotional services are held. One at seven for the workers and one at eight o'clock for the office employees.

How is Puckett able to build a \$4,000,000 business without capital:

"Confidence," he smilingly tells you. "That's all it takes to build a business—confidence and absolute honesty. That's all there is to Union Equity."

Puckett's philosophy of life is simple: Life's wonderful. I like to live. I like my work. I enjoy the work I try to do for God. I love people. People are wonderful to me.

Parochial Schools

The International Council of Religious Education gives the following figures on the number of church-operated schools in the U. S. A. and the pupils attending. Roman Catholics 10,188 schools with an enrollment of 2,606,000.

Lutherans, 1,296 schools with an enrollment of 96,000.

Seventh-day Adventists, 970 schools with an enrollment of 35,000.

The Reformed churches, 120 schools with an enrollment of 21,000.

The Assemblies of God, three schools operated by local churches.

Of these various groups, the Roman Catholic is the only church asking for public school funds for parochial schools, for the Protestants recognize the necessity of preserving the traditional American principle of the separation of church and state.

More New Diseases Are Said To Be Facing World

"You can expect more and more new diseases. Whether any will sweep the earth like the past epidemics will depend on medical science and the ending of poverty and hunger. The diseases are coming from birds, bugs and other animals. They probably have existed in these creatures for thousands of years. They have attacked man in the past, but went unnoticed because people were fewer and attacks isolated. In these sporadic forays, the disease organism picked up a liking for human tissues. That is, in human beings the organisms were modified and adapted for future human attacks. They retired to their animal hosts, better fitted for the next chance. Today, with earth's population rapidly doubling, the hidden diseases are getting more chances. A mechanized civilization has upset Nature, and this lets the diseases loose. Distance no longer is a protection. Your next door neighbor may fly half way around the world and bring the infection home." *Howard W. Blakeslee, Science Editor of Associated Press.*

Young Generation Leading Religious Revival

There is a growing revival in America. Significantly it is spreading widely among the youth of our postwar generation, the generation which usually is prey to doubt, disillusion and cynicism. One girl's sermon or letter was published recently in the *Sacramento Bee*: "Oh, if I could get everyone to become a Christian, what a blessing it would be—for them!" she said. "Oh, dear people, wake up! Serve Him and He will truly bless you. Repent of your sins. Confess your sins, believe in Him, obey His will, and you will receive a greater joy than any you have ever known." The above was two paragraphs taken from her lengthy letter of testimony.

Punish Parents for Delinquency

When a child turns into a budding burglar, whose fault is it? The parents, decided Eugene's city councilmen. And they backed up their decision by passing an ordinance that the parents, not the child, should be punished. It's fairly stiff punishment, too: up to \$200 fine or 100 days in jail for a parent judged responsible for conditions which have led his child into delinquency. Eugene is the largest Oregon city to base penalties on the growing sociological theory that a child takes the criminal path because his parents, unwittingly or not, have shoved him that way.

Briton says Russia Produces About 50,000 Planes a Year

A British expert said Soviet Russia's air force is as strong tactically as any group of air forces in the world and she and her satellites are making 40,000 to 50,000 planes a year.